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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED JUNE 30, 2006 AND ADVISORY ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 15, 2006

Sir:

Applicant respectfully thanks the Examiner for the telephone calls of September 6 and 7, 2006 in which the Examiner kindly informed Applicant's counsel that there was an error in the previous response to the Final Office Action. Particularly, the amendments reflected changes in comparison to the original response to the Office Action of January 31, 2006 rather than the later filed, Supplementary Amendment.

The Examiner indicated that he could issue a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, if desired. However, Applicant indicated that, since it was still within the three month deadline, Applicant would prefer to simply file this Supplementary Amendment with a corrected claim list.

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The Examiner issued an Advisory Action dated September 15, 2006 noting the aforementioned issue.

Applicant respectfully thanks the Examiner for his kindness and courtesy.

Please consider this Amendment in lieu of the previously file Response to Final Office Action dated June 30, 2006.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.